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Description: ff. i + 122 + i - In brown calf, s. XIX#^in#, according to de Ricci, by Larrivière. - Cistercian house of Vauluisant; Chapter Library of the Cathedral of Sens (?); Joseph Barrois (1785?-1855), his n. 115; Bertram Ashburnham (1797-1878), 4th Earl of Ashburnham; Gilbert I. Ellis; George A. Plimpton (1855-1936). - De Ricci, pp. 1760-1761.

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Language: Latin *Country:* France *Century:* 12th

Part 1: ff. 1-122

Description: - Parchment - 420 x 300 mm - 2 columns of 41-42 lines ruled in lead.

Country: France *Cardinal point:*

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Document: No *Number of Scribes:* ;2:scribe i, ff. 1-48v, 49 col. a; ii, ff. 49 col. b-122 (shift:quire 7, leaf 1)

Script: Gothic.

Other Decoration: Parted 4- to 13-line red, blue, green and/or ochre initials with red and green flourishing; opening initial of book 4 in white with simple void vine stem infilling on a multi-colored ground.

Number of Texts: 1

Text 1: ff. 1-122

Author: Josephus

Other Associate: Cassiodorus, circle of, translators

Title: Antiquitates iudaicae

Language(s): Latin

Incipit: Hystoriam disponentibus non unam nec eandem video eius studii causam

Notes: Books 1-12. Companion volume to this manuscript (although of separate origin) is Oxford, Bodleian Library, Lat.th.c.6 (SC 32944).

Acknowledgments: We are grateful to M. Pierre Petitmengin for pointing out the connection to the Oxford manuscript.



f. 1 Parted initial, later ownership note in upper margin, early modern pressmark in lower margin.

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f. 1, detail Detail, parted initial; later ownership note, Liber sancte marie vallis lucentis.

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f. 10 Painted initials.

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f. 24v Decorated quire number "iii"; "r" between columns; first of two ruling patterns.

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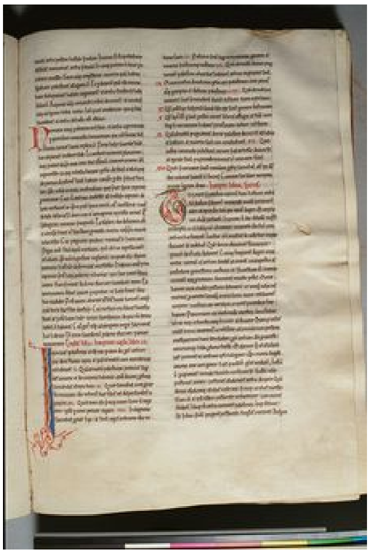
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f. 28v Painted initials; pricking in both inner and outer margin.

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f. 46 Painted initials of varying levels; chapter list.

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f. 49 Shift to second scribe at top of column b, with "catchword" as first three letters (cog in uppermost right corner.

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f. 69v Guide letters for the chapter list in inner margin; second decorator.

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f. 77v Nota mark between columns.

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f. 88v Pricking in both margins; secondary initials; quire number and catchword.

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